rageous failure of the Government of India's Sri Lanka policy. They were brought to India with a political intention and when that political intention failed, they were detained in this country. This is the highest type of cruelty that a democratic country can practise and it can never be forgiven. My simple question is a policy question. Is it the policy of the Government of India to invite foreign nationals into this country when it suits them politically and then detain them when it does not suit then politically?

SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV: Sir, I would like to say that it is not the policy of the Government of India.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: What answer is he giving? *(Interruptions)*

MR. SANTOSH MOHAN DEV: He wanted an answer. I have given.

Guideline to Check Pollution Caused by Industrial Units

*27. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government propose to streamline its vigilance over industries in respect of pollution control and guidelines have been issued with regard to inspection of industries;

(b) if so, what are the details of these guidelines; and

(c) what has been the reaction of the industries in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

(c) This Ministry has not received any reactions from the industry in this regard.

Statement

The Guidelines to check pollution caused by industrial units

The guidelines with regard to inspection of industries are:

(i) The industries have been categorised into three types, viz., 'Red', 'Orange' and 'Green' according to their pollution potential.

(ii) Classification of industries into large, medium and small scale is to be made based on the investment criteria like small scale upto Rs. 35 lakhs, medium scale Rs. 35 lakhs to Rs. 500 lakhs and large scale Rs. 500 lakhs and above.

(iii) Depending upon the category under which an industry is classified, the frequency of visits by the officials of the Central/State Pollution Control Board has been stipulated. It may range between once a month to once in two years.

(iv) The frequency of inspection is shown in the table below:

Scale of Industry	Category	Frequency of Inspection
1. Large	All units will be under 'Red'.	Once in a month to Once in six months.
2. Medium	Red	Once in three months.
	Orange	Once in six months.
	Green	Once in a year.
3. Small	Red	Once in six months.
	Orange	Once in a year.
	Green	Once in two years.

श्री शांति त्यागी : माननीय सभापति जी, मैं सिर्फ एक ही प्रश्न करूंगा कि अगर पब्लिक सेक्टर के कारखाने या बड़े उद्योगपतियों के कारखाने पोल्यूशन कंट्रोल नियमों का उल्लंघन करेंगे तो उनके लिये क्या सजा आपने रखी है ? मेरा सिर्फ यही एक प्रश्न है ।

SHRI Z. R. ANSARI: Sir, this question actually pertains to the inspection procedure and the guidelines issued for inspection of the different categories of industries. As far as punishment for pollution is concerned, there is no discrimination between public sector and private sector. The punishment is the same which has been given in the different pollution control laws, the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act and the Environment Protection Act. I do not presently have before me these Acts and the different other Acts. So it is not possible for me to give the quantum of punishment which is to be awarded to the different polluting industries. But I assure this House that there is no discrimination, no distinction, between public and private sectors. For us, a pollutor is a pollutor whatever category he may belong to.

श्री सीर्जा इर्शाद बेग : मान्यवर, सभापति जी, मैं मंत्री जी से यह जानना चाहता हूं कि आपने नियम तो बना लिए है लेकिन इनका पालन जो लोग नहीं कर रहे है, उन पर कड़ाई से आप क्या कदम लेने जा रहे है ?

SHRI Z. R. ANSARI: It is exactly for this purpose that these guidelines have been issued for the inspection of these industrial units. We have categorised these industrial units into large-scale, medium-scale and small-scale ones. We have issued guidelines with regard to these industries.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Smuggling of Narcotic Drugs

*23. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite increasing number of seizures, the incidence of smuggling of narcotic drugs into India have registered a sharp rise during the recent years;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the seizures amount only to 5 per cent of the total quantity being smuggled;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Narcotics Control Bureau is manned by 164 officials only to check smuggling by land, air and sea as also through our borders; and

(d) if so, what steps Government have taken to increase the strength of staff in the organisation and also to modernise it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) While it is a fact that huge quantities of drugs are seized by the various enforcement agencies as may be seen from the following Table, mainly on account of the vigorous drive and aggressive counter-measures launched by the Government, it is difficult to assess the magnitude of smuggling of drugs in any precise manner or esti-